SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety and, having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 30, 1943.

## CHAPTER 392.

## (House Bill 186)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 97A of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Public Education", sub-title "Teachers' Retirement System", as said section was enacted by Chapter 468 of the Acts of 1941, eliminating the provision relating to Life Certificates on a State-wide basis and also enlarging the pension coverage of said section to include certain teachers and/or clerks in Washington County.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Mary land, That Section 97A of Article 77 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Public Education", sub-title "Teachers' Retirement System", as said section was enacted by Chapter 468 of the Acts of 1941, be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

## 97A. Any person who

- (1) shall have been a teacher in the public schools of this State for an aggregate period of twent-five (25) years or more prior to June 1, 1927; and who, in the case of Washington County, shall have been a teacher, or a clerk, or both, whether at the same time or at different times, for a period of twenty-five years or more, prior to June 1, 1927; and who
- (2) shall be ineligible for a pension under this sub-title; and who
  - (3) shall be at least sixty (60) years of age; and
- (4) whose record as such teacher shall be without reproach; and who
- (5) shall be unable to teach school because of physical disability or infirmity; and who